A MEETING OF THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024, AT 10:00 AM.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON OR JOIN TODAY'S MEETING VIA ZOOM.

ATTENDING: COMMISSIONER LARRY PADORA; COMMISSIONER BARRON HETHERINGTON; COMMISSIONER GARY J. HESS; COUNTY SOLICITOR PAUL DATTE; CONTROLLER SHARYN YACKENCHICK; FIRST DEPUTY CONTROLLER SANDRA PACENTA; TREASURER LINDA YEICH; COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR GARY BENDER; FINANCE DIRECTOR PAUL BUBER; HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR ANTHONY KERN; SHERIFF JOE GROODY; FIRST DEPUTY SHERIFF SHAWN BUTLER; CHILDREN & YOUTH ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR CARL RUMBEL; SUPERVISOR OF PARKS & RECREATION DREW KLINE; DISTRICT ATTORNEY MICHAEL O'PAKE; AND CHIEF CLERK LINDA DEATRICH.

THE SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMISSIONER PADORA
AND OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

IN RE: REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD

THE CHIEF CLERK REPORTED THERE WERE NO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD.

PUBLIC COMMENT

JEFF DUNKEL, PALTO ALTO, COMMENTED ON THE CASE THAT HAS BEEN SENT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TAX ASSESSMENT OFFICE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION.

ATTORNEY PAUL DATTE COMMENTED ON PERSONNEL ISSUES FROM THE TAX ASSESSMENT OFFICE.

COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON TOLD EVERYONE THAT DUE TO AN INJURY HE WAS LESS ATTENTIVE IN A MEETING THAN HE NORMALLY WOULD HAVE BEEN.

GEORGE STENCOVAGE, PALO ALTO, COMMENTED ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT HELPING CITIZENS.

MELINDA DEIBERT, NORTH MANHEIM TOWNSHIP, COMMENTED ON THE ODORS AND TYPE OF WASTE THAT'S BEING DUMPED AT THE WEST END OF THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER PADORA TOLD THE GROUP THAT THE COMMISSIONERS WILL BE MEETING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN APRIL 2024.

LAURA KRYZANOWSKI, POTTSVILLE, COMMENTED ON CITY OF POTTSVILLE POLITICS.

IN RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING OF MARCH 6, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PUBLIC WORKS – ADVERTISEMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR AN INVITATION TO BID ON THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING CLEANING CONTRACT. BIDS ARE DUE TO THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE BY 4:00 PM ON MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024. BIDS WILL BE OPENED PUBLICLY AT 9:00 AM ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024, IN THE COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM AND AWARDED AT A LATER DATE.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PLANNING AND ZONING--APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT THE STUDY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS LISTED IN THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED "*PLANNING TEAM ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES – SCHUYLKILL COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PARK RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN"*. SCHUYLKILL COUNTY WAS AWARDED $63,600 FROM DCNR THROUGH THE KEYSTONE RECREATION PARK AND CONSERVATION FUND TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPING A *COMPREHENSIVE PARK, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN (*CPROS). THE DCNR GRANT AGREEMENT REQUIRES THE COUNTY TO APPOINT A *STUDY COMMITTEE* WHO WILL SERVE AS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: TAX CLAIM BUREAU—REPOSITORY SALE

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REPOSITORY SALE PURSUANT TO 72 P.S. § 5860.625:

REPOSITORY SALES				
Parcel	**Owner(s) of Record**	**Description**	**Bid Amount**	**Bidder(s)**
^*48-8-139	Big Valley Properties LLC	504 W. Market St	$1.00	Borough of Mahanoy City

ALL PARCELS WERE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
***** PARCELS NOTED WITH AN ASTERISK ARE DEMOLITIONS.
^THE BIDS ARE LESS THAN THE REPOSITORY PRICE AND APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PRISON – CONTRACT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH SMART COMMUNICATIONS, SEMINOLE, FL, TO PROVIDE INMATE TELEPHONE SERVICE. THERE IS NO COST TO THE PRISON OR COUNTY. THE TELEPHONE SERVICE IS PAID FOR BY THE COST OF CALLS MADE BY THE INMATE. THE TERM IS FOR FIVE (5) YEARS FROM MARCH 1, 2024, TO MARCH 1, 2029.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: GRANT WRITER'S—MODIFICATION, ADVERTISEMENT, CONTRACT, SEVEN (7) COOPERATION AGREEMENTS & A REVISION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE MODIFICATION TO THE 2022 CDBG PROGRAM MOVING $88,790 FROM THE SCHUYLKILL HAVEN HOUSING REHAB LINE ITEM TO THE WILLOW STREET RECREATION LINE ITEM.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR A CDBG ADA PROJECT AT THE J.E. MORGAN PARK IN WEST PENN TOWNSHIP. BIDS WILL BE DONE VIA PENNBID AND MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 9:00 AM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024, AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE OPENED.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR DEMOLITION PROJECTS IN THE BOROUGHS OF GIRARDVILLE, MAHANOY CITY, MINERSVILLE, AND SHENANDOAH, AND RYAN AND WEST MAHANOY TOWNSHIPS. BIDS WILL BE DUE IN THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE ON MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024. BID OPENING WILL TAKE PLACE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH TRI-VET CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $36,900.00 FOR A CDBG PROJECT FOR THE KLINE TOWNSHIP ADA PROJECT.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF GIRARDVILLE FOR DEMOLITION PROJECTS LOCATED AT 7-9 W. OGDEN STREET AND 341 W. MAHANOY AVENUE.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH RYAN TOWNSHIP FOR A DEMOLITION PROJECT LOCATED AT 7 MANSURE ROAD.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIOINER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF MAHANOY CITY FOR A DEMOLITION PROJECT LOCATED AT 512-514 W. CENTER STREET AND 520, 522 & 524 RAILROAD STREET.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIOINER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH WEST MAHANOY TOWNSHIP FOR DEMOLITION PROJECTS LOCATED AT 257 MT. OLIVE, 411 MT. OLIVE, 1157 W. LLOYD STREET, AND 4 NEWTOWN ROAD.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF MINERSVILLE FOR DEMOLITION PROJECTS LOCATED AT 2 SUNBURY STREET AND 16 N. DELAWARE AVENUE.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR FOR DEMOLITION PROJECTS LOCATED AT 26 S. FRONT STREET AND 146 N. NICHOLS STREET.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF SCHUYLKILL HAVEN FOR A DEMOLITION PROJECT LOCATED AT 119 PARKWAY.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A REVISION TO THE 2021 CDBG PROGRAM MOVING $8,161.28 IN FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY DEMOLITION LINE ITEM TO THE KLINE TOWNSHIP ADA LINE ITEM.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: 911 COMMUNICATIONS—AGREEMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS OF CHICAGO, IL, FOR EMERGENCY CALL WORKS (ECW) PHONE SYSTEM ONSITE & REMOTE SYSTEM SOFTWARE & SUPPORT AT A COST OF $62,313.29. THE TERM IS JANUARY 1, 2024, TO DECEMBER 31, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: DRUG & ALCOHOL—ADDENDA

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AND FY 2024-2025 CONTRACT ADDENDA FOR THE PROVIDERS LISTED BELOW, WHICH WILL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING CHANGES AND HAVE ALL THEIR CONTRACTED COUNTY SERVICE RATES INCREASED TO MATCH THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE RATES, WHICH INCREASED ON JANUARY 1, 2024.

- CARBON-MONROE-PIKE D&A COMMISSION
- CLINICAL OUTCOMES GROUP, INC.
- GAUDENZIA – POTTSVILLE
- GENESIS HOUSE
- LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH – SCHUYLKILL
- PATHWAY TO RECOVERY COUNSELING AND EDUCATION SERVICES
- PENNSYLVANIA COUNSELING SERVICES

INCREASE THE FOLLOWING RATES AS NOTED FOR FY 2023-2024 & FY 2024-2025 TO BECOME EFFECTIVE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2024, TO JUNE 30, 2025. THE RATE CHANGES WILL BE REFLECTED ON AN UPDATED APPENDIX B, WHICH WILL **REPLACE** THE CURRENT APPENDIX B.

- LEVEL 1 OR 2.1 INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY SESSION – 60 MINUTE UNIT FROM $80.00/UNIT TO $123.95/UNIT
- LEVEL 1 OR 2.1 HALF INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY SESSION – 30 MINUTE UNIT FROM $40.00/UNIT TO $61.97/UNIT
- LEVEL 1 OR 2.1 GROUP SESSION – 15 MINUTE UNIT FROM $8.00/UNIT TO $13.98/UNIT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF **PATHWAY TO RECOVERY COUNSELING AND EDUCATION,** WHICH WILL GO FROM $40.00 PER GROUP TO $13.98 PER 15 MINUTE UNIT.
- LEVEL 861A & 861B MAT – SUBUTEX, SUBOXONE, SUBLOCADE, VIVITROL & METHADONE.
  PER DIEM LANGUAGE WILL NOW READ **“ACTUAL PHARMACY COST, NET OF APPLICABLE CLIENT FEES, DISCOUNTS AND COUPONS”** TO BE EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2024, THE CONTRACT ADDENDUM BEGIN DATE.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: MENTAL HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES & DRUG & ALCOHOL—QUOTE

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF $49,500.00 FROM LAMAR FOR 8 BILLBOARDS PER MONTH FROM MARCH UNTIL DECEMBER TO BE USED FOR DRUG & ALCOHOL AND MENTAL HEALTH CAMPAIGNS.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: ELECTION BUREAU—APPROVAL TO 14 HIRE ROVERS, 4 SUB-CONTRACTORS, 11 DRIVERS, 8 MACHINE DRIVERS, 4 RESOLUTION BOARD MEMBERS, 5 SUB-CONTRACTORS, 3 COMPUTING BOARD

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF FOURTEEN (14) ELECTION ROVERS TO START IMMEDIATELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OFFICE PREPARATION AND LOGISTICS / ACCURACY (L&A) FOR THE APRIL 23, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION AT THE RATE OF TWELVE ($12) DOLLARS PER HOUR. ROVERS TO BE PAID MILEAGE AT THE RATE OF .67 CENTS PER MILE TO BE TRAVELED ON ELECTION DAY TO ASSIGNED POLLING SITES OR WHERE NEEDED.

JOE MATZ	TIM WOOD
RON COLEMAN	GARY KEIFER
CAROL COONEY-SYZDEK	CINDY DRAZENOVICH
PAULA WARMKESSEL	DANIEL WACHTER
JOHN HANDLER	JIM GUSTUS
JOHN GUERS	JULIE ZANGARI
(ASKING FOR 2 MORE ROVERS)	

IT WAS ALSO MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF THE FOLLOWING FOUR (4) SUB-CONTRACTORS AS NEEDED:

DELMAR PHILLIPS	MARY ANN YANCHULIS
CAROL COONEY-SYZDEK	PAULA WARMKESSEL

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF ELEVEN (11) DRIVERS TO DELIVER ELECTION DAY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT IN PREPARATION OF THE APRIL 23, 2024, GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION:

STEVEN DAVIS	$360.00
WILLIAM KLINGER	$310.00
JAMES ZERBE	$350.00
RORY REILEY	$360.00
JAY TOBIAS	$320.00
LINDA HANDLER	$320.00
DELMAR PHILLIPS	$360.00
DARREN PHILLIPS	$310.00
GARY KEIFER	$340.00
VIVIAN RUPERT	$300.00
KEITH POGASH	$320.00

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF EIGHT (8) ADDITIONAL ELECTION DAY MACHINE DELIVERY DRIVERS IN PREPARATION OF THE APRIL 23, 2024, GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION AT A RATE OF $14.00 PER HOUR. IN ADDITION, IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF TO THE FOLLOWING EIGHT (8) SUB-CONTRACTORS AS NEEDED:

DELMAR PHILLIPS	JEFF KOVACH	DARREN PHILLIPS
ANDREW GRICOSKI	KEITH POGASH	JOHN GUERS
GARY GOODMAN	STEVE MCCORD	

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF FOUR (4) RESOLUTION BOARD MEMBERS FOR ELECTION NIGHT AT THE STS BUILDING FOR THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION ON APRIL 23, 2024:

RENEE BUCHANAN	$100.00
EDWARD BARKET	$100.00
MICHAEL VIGODA	$100.00
BOB BYLONE	$100.00

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF THE FOLLOWING FIVE (5) SUB-CONTRACTORS AND AN ADDITIONAL THREE (3) INDIVIDUALS FOR COMPUTING BOARD AT THE RATE OF SEVENTY DOLLARS ($70.00) PER DAY BEGINNING APRIL 26, 2024 AT 9 AM IN THE ELECTION BUREAU OFFICE TO BEGIN THE 2 PER CENT COMPUTATION AND CANVASSING OF THE RETURNS FROM THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION DATED APRIL 23, 2024.

JAMES KLOCK	SHARON CHIAO
JOANNE DOWER	ANN M. KARPOVICH
MARY ANN YANCHULIS	(LOOKING TO HIRE 3 ADDITIONAL)

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE—CONTRACT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND ATTORNEY SHELBY GRABOWSKI HOSTETTER. ATTORNEY HOSTETTER WOULD BEGIN HER DUTIES AS A PART TIME ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY-MISCELLANEOUS ON MARCH 11, 2024. ATTORNEY HOSTETTER WOULD BE PAID AN ANNUAL SALARY OF $22,000.00 FOR HER SERVICES.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES – ADDENDUM

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AN ADDENDUM TO EXTEND THE PROGRAM FUNDED CONTRACT FOR ANOTHER 3-FISCAL YEARS WITH DIAKON CHILD FAMILY & COMMUNITY MINISTRIES OF MIDDLETON, PA, FOR PA MEDI (MEDICARE EDUCATION AND DECISION INSIGHT) PROGRAM, PA MEDI REGIONAL STAFF, SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER SERVICES, HEALTH AND WELLNESS, HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVIDENCED BASED PROGRAMMING, IN-HOME MEALS, VOLUNTEERS SERVING SENIORS, COVID VACCINE ACCESS, AND THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER NON-COMPETITIVE GRANT. CONTRACT CAPS BY FISCAL YEAR ARE AS FOLLOWS: FY 2023-24 $1,717,774.00; FY 2024-25 $984,099.00; AND FY 2025-26 $984,099.00. FY 23-24 IS A $153,568 INCREASE FROM FY 22-23 DUE TO ARPA FUNDING. FUNDING FOR PA MEDI REGIONAL STAFF, COVID VACCINE ACCESS, AND THE SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER NON-COMPETITIVE GRANT ARE NOT IN THE BUDGET CAPS FOR FY'S 24-25 AND 25-26.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PARKS & RECREATION – AMENDMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT OF THE SWEET ARROW LAKE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR A PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHERS AS WELL AS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY. THIS REQUIREMENT WILL BE ADDED TO SECTION 2 OF THE CURRENT RULES AND REGULATIONS.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: COUNTY ADMINISTRATION—APPOINTMENT, REAPPOINTMENT & RECOMMENDATION

IN RE: NEPA - NORTHEASTERN PA ALLIANCE

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO RECOMMEND THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT CARL, PRESIDENT & CEO OF SCHUYLKILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TO THE NEPA ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO RECOMMEND COURTNEY FASNACHT, DIRECTOR OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, MAEA, TO THE NEPA ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT DAVID FREW, PINE GROVE, PA, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF NOBLE C. QUANDEL, JR., ON THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD. MR. FREW'S TERM WOULD EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2026.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS – PAUL BUBER
FOR INFORMATION ONLY – 2023 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

IN RE: ON BEHALF OF HUMAN RESOURCES

ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,500.00 TO COVER EXPENSES FOR MCNEES WALLACE.

IN RE: ON BEHALF OF GRANT WRITER'S OFFICE—SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION APPROPRIATION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FOR PRIOR YEAR 2023: #2023-24 FOR $7,566.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW BUSINESS – GARY BENDER-COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

IN RE: ON BEHALF OF TAX CLAIM BUREAU—TWO (2) REPOSITORY SALES

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING TWO (2) REPOSITORY SALES PURSUANT TO 72 P.S. § 5860.625. APPROVAL FROM THE BOROUGH ON THESE REPOSITORY SALES WAS NOT RECEIVED IN TIME TO BE INCLUDED ON LAST WEEK'S WORK SESSION AGENDA.

REPOSITORY SALES				
Parcel	**Owner(s) of Record**	**Description**	**Bid Amount**	**Bidder(s)**
***^** 52-5-221	Scott M. Wessner	30 South Street	$1.00	Borough of Minersville
***^** 52-5-222	James Lawrence Mills Robert Michael Mills-Cundiff	28 South Street	$1.00	Borough of Minersville

ALL PARCELS WERE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
***** PARCELS NOTED WITH AN ASTERISK ARE DEMOLITION.
^ THE BIDS ARE LESS THAN THE REPOSITORY PRICE AND APPROVED BY MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN & YOUTH—AGREEMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIOINER HESS TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF CENTRAL PA, LANCASTER, FOR FOSTER CARE SERVICES WITH PER DIEM RATES AS FOLLOWS: LEVEL 1 AT $34.78, LEVEL 2 AT $46.20, LEVEL 3 AT $77.58, LEVEL 4 AT $87.78, LEVEL 5 AT $140.32; MEDICAL I AT $17.97, AND MEDICAL IV AT $59.45.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: ON BEHALF OF LIQUID FUELS—BID AWARD

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE REPAIRS TO COUNTY BRIDGE 123, BROAD STREET OVER THE SCHUYLKILL RIVER, PORT CLINTON, TO DESCCO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION, INC., FLEETWOOD, PA. DESCCO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION WAS THE LOW BIDDER AT $48,285.64.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

HUMAN RESOURCES – PERSONNEL ACTION

IN RE: PRISON – APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT KROSS HOUCK, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA, TO CORRECTION OFFICER-PART TIME POSITION, TEAMSTERS, AT $23.0730 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE APRIL 19, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PRISON – APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT ANTHONY SMITH, GIRARDVILLE, PA, TO THE CORRECTION OFFICER-PART TIME POSITION, TEAMSTERS, AT $23.0730 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: MAINTENANCE – APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT WILLIAM EISENHART, POTTSVILLE, PA, TO A GENERAL LABORER POSITION, AFSCME, PAY RANGE 2, AT $13.9413 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: CHILDREN & YOUTH – THREE (3) APPPOINTMENTS

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT HEATHER RICARD, MINERSVILLE, PA, TO A COUNTY CASEWORKER I POSITION, PSSU, PAY RANGE 33, AT $20.9412 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT ALLISHIA SLEVA, MAHANOY CITY, PA, TO A CLERK TYPIST II POSITION, PSSU, PAY RANGE 27, AT $16.1825 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT ELAINE STROHECKER, RINGTOWN, PA, TO A CLERK TYPIST II POSITION, PSSU, PAY RANGE 27, AT $16.1825 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE APRIL 29, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED TO APPOINT RHODA BORRELL, CASS TOWNSHIP, PA, TO A CLERK TYPIST I POSITION, AFSCME, PAY RANGE 2, AT $13.9413 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE MARCH 25, 2024.

VOTE:
PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE
MOTION ADOPTED.

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IN RE: CLERK OF COURTS – APPOINTMENT & TRANSFER

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, ANTHONY KERN, INFORMED THE BOARD THAT HEATHER NIEDZWIECKI, GIRARDVILLE, PA, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO THE CLERK III POSITION, COURT RELATED II. EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2024.

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, ANTHONY KERN, INFORMED THE BOARD THAT NICOLE PEEL, MAHANOY CITY, PA, CLERK TYPIST I – TAX CLAIM, HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE CLERK III POSITION, COURT RELATED II. EFFECTIVE MARCH 25, 2024.

IN RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – APPOINTMENT

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, ANTHONY KERN, INFORMED THE BOARD THAT NICHOLAS KRISTON, REILLY TOWNSHIP, PA, HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO THE UNPAID INTERN POSITION. EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024.

*ALL APPOINTMENTS ARE PENDING DRUG TEST AND PHYSICAL.
*ALL ACTIONS INVOLVING SALARY OR FOR POSITIONS BEING CREATED ARE PENDING SALARY BOARD APPROVAL.

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER PADORA ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

ATTEST: _____